

Mr. P. J. George (*Joint Secretary to Government*): It is growing. Even then the factories do not get sufficient supply. That is why import is made from Africa.

Mr. V. J. Mathai (*Planters*): With your kind permission, Mr. President, shall I make a brief statement? I find from statistics that in 1936 while the locally grown cashew-nuts came to 30 thousand tons, the imported ones came to 50 thousand tons. The result is gradually there will be competition and there will be a depression in the prices. Therefore I request that the Government may be pleased to address the Government of India in this matter.

RECONSTRUCTION CENTRE—LOCATION OF.

434. Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons that have induced the Government to start the Reconstruction Centre in Cherpu rather than in Ollukara farm?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*): Its better suitability for a centre, having regard to the requirements of such a centre, and the purposes it has in view.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): Sir, I would like to know what are the factors that can contribute towards the suitability of a centre, requirements of the centre and the purposes it has in view. The answer appears to be rather vague.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*): To explain that, it may require a short speech. If the House is in a mood to hear it at this question hour, I have no objection.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): But for the purpose of explaining the suitability and requirements, it will be necessary.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*): You want me then to give all the reasons which make up better suitability. In that case, I think I may have to go very much into the details.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): At least give us a summary.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (*Diwan Peishkar*): I will give an abstract. The reasons are (1) the undesirability of having two institutions with different objects and purposes working in the same premises (2) the allocation of outlying villages for the purposes of rural uplift (3) the likelihood of getting honest workers from among the people in the locality and (4) deference to expert advice.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni (*Trichur-South*): May I know whether there will not be enough space in the Ollukara farm to locate

this centre having regard to the fact that there are 400 acres of land there out of which only a fairly large portion is made use of now for the purpose of growing?

Mr. President : It is not mainly a question of availability of land. It is pointed out to us that one of the essential requisites of the site is that round about a circumference of 3 or 4 miles, there should be villages. If we have to consider the condition of Ollukara, one half of such circumference would be forest area.

Mr. K. R. Viswambharan (Ezhuvas-Talappalli) : The approximate cost of the centre?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (Diwan Peishkar) : I think it may be about 7 or 8 thousand rupees.

CATTLE IMPOUNDED—INJURIES TO.

435. Mr. C. V. Iyyu (Kunnamkulam) : Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the pound-keepers in the State are informed about the injury done to the cattle when they are brought to be impounded according to the Cattle Trespass Regulation;

(b) if the answer is in the negative, will the Government be pleased to place on the table the record to show the number of cattle injured during the year 1113;

(c) if there is no record to show, will the Government be pleased to collect figures as to the number of cattle impounded from the 1st of Thulam, 1114 to the 1st of Vrischigam in each pound in the State noting down the number of injured cattle;

(d) whether there is any circular sent by the Commissioner of Police or the Diwan Peishkar, or any G. O. or any rule instructing pound-keepers to refuse admission for injured cattle;

(e) if the answer to the question above is in the affirmative, will the Government be pleased to send instructions to the pound-keepers and collect the statistics and place on the Council table for the month of Thulam the number of injured cattle brought to the notice of the respective pound-keepers and refused admission?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon (Diwan Peishkar) : (a) No.

(b) There is no record maintained for the purpose.

(c) The number of cattle impounded in the various pounds is 274. None of them was injured.